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Highlights of Fall 2007- Summer 2008

- Recruitment of 2 Dental Hygienists, 3 Dental Assistants from the AI communities to assist with the programs activities such as presentations, health fairs, the school based sealant and Fluoride varnish programs. In addition there is 1 Dentist to serve as a dental consultant . Everyone was trained with the up to date info. on sealants and Fluoride varnish.
- Salt River Schools (elem., jr/high school and head start) screened over 400 students, 1227 Sealants placed, 958 Fl- Varnish applications
- Cibique satellite of WMAT, 120 Fl- varnish applications on Head Start, WIC, Elem- since the program just initiated late 2007, one application per person, in August, the programs will pick back up when school resumes. The elem. also started a xylitol gum chewing program and tooth brushing program.
- Camp Verde – Yavapai Apache Health Center , NAU Dental Hygiene and the ITCA-DPCSC collaborate to screen and apply Fl- varnish every 3 -4 months. ITCA also provides the prevention materials. 140 Fl- varnish applications
- Participated in 23 health fairs, throughout the 20 member Tribes
- Dr. York attend 35 meetings regarding the dental support center, access to care issues, state and local dental meetings and ITCA staff meetings.
- Dr. York has made site visits to most of the ITCA member Tribes
- 80 encounters, where dental prevention supplies have distributed to various programs – WIC , Elders and Health Fairs, 638 Dental programs, AI Urban Dental program, I H S service units when requested
- ITCA-DPCSC purchased one new portable dental unit to use at Salt River, in the discussion process of possibly ordering one more set of portable dental equipment to loan to the Hopi Service Unit for the school based program
- Loaned a portable unit to San Carlos I H S service unit and to Native Health
- Chair of the one of the ADA sponsored AI/AN Summit workgroups
- Sit on the Northern Arizona University Dental Hygiene School curriculum committee - graduate the most AI dental hygienists in Az
- Sit on the Az Board of Dental Examiners Mobile Dentistry Task Force- setting up regulations for Mobile Dental Units that serve mostly AI communities
- Sit on the Statewide Az Oral Health Coalition

- The Dental Center Liaison Group (advisory board) meeting was held in March- well attended 24 and it was requested we meet more often perhaps, once or twice a year
- Met with Tucson Area Office and Tucson Indian Center- ITCA-DPCSC would like collaborate in the future
- Developed two new power points- one for AI youth with a focus on healthy lifestyles, careers in dentistry, and substance abuse, with an emphasis on Meth, Alcohol and tobacco abuse, and another focusing on Substance abuse and Oral Health
- Developed 3 new culturally appropriate prevention materials: a tooth brushing chart, how to brush guide, and how to floss guide. The how to brush and floss also will be available in poster form. It was requested by the SRPMIC schools and ASDOH SAID students to develop this material to pass out to the AI students with their oral hygiene supplies.
- 4 Oral Cancer Screenings at: WMAT, CRIT, Ak Chin, and Fort McDowell Elders.
- Collaborate with the NAU's Hopi Project, by distributing prevention supplies and educational booklets and CDs about Diabetes and Oral Health